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## **Flood Update From WVDHSEM**

CHARLESTON, W.Va. – According to WV Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management Director Jimmy Gianato these are the latest important facts and figures on the floods that have hit WV:

-20 (twenty) fatalities have been reported so far across the state.

-42,000 are currently without power.

### **Volunteer Organizations:**

#### **WV VOAD**

- The Southern Baptist feeding units will be setting up in Greenbrier and Nicholas counties and will start feeding tomorrow. The county OES directors is setting up the locations.
- The Salvation Army is in Greenbrier providing food for first responders.
- The Council of Churches and Presbytery WV are working with county OES directors to begin sending chaplains to counties affected beginning tomorrow.
- Supplies delivered today to Fayette, Clay and Kanawha counties.
- Have 3 tractor trailer loads of bottled water to affected areas.
- Volunteer WV has set us up a link for all volunteers to register if they want to help:  
[www.volunteerwv.org](http://www.volunteerwv.org).
- Mountaineer Foodbank will provide food and water to the Southern Baptist feeding unit.

### **Red Cross**

- 2 shelters open at Capitol High School (Charleston) and Geary Elementary in Roane County.
- Additional community-based shelters have opened across affected areas.

### **Division of Highways**

- Dozens of roads and bridges remain closed or still under water. 60 roads are currently closed.
- The road to the shopping plaza in Elkview has opened.

### **WV National Guard**

- Deployed to 3 operational areas (Greenbrier, Nicholas and Kanawha counties), covering eight counties, and possible future operational areas in 5 other counties.
- Search and rescue teams are still out assessing areas for evacuees and those in need.

For up-to-the-minute information log on to the WVDHSEM Twitter page @WVDHSEM and the WVDHSEM Facebook page as well as Governor Tomblin's Twitter and Facebook pages.

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